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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Kazuo Yamamoto et al.

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For: BONDING STRUCTURE AND BONDING
METHOD FOR CEMENTED CARBIDE
ELEMENT AND DIAMOND ELEMENT,
CUTTING TIP AND CUTTING ELEMENT
FOR DRILLING TOOL, AND DRILLING
TOOL

Examiner: A. A. Turner

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING

A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-6 and 25, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.